

TOPIC Volkspolizei Dienststelle 1152 in Eggesin

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REMARKS

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1. Prior to early April 1951, Volkspolizei Dienststelle (VPD) 1152 in Eggesin was located in the former VP school on the Randow River, about 1 km southeast of the railroad line to Torgelow.
2. VPD 1152 was subordinate to, and connected by police telephone and teletype tape recorders with the HVA in Berlin-Adlershof. The unit could communicate with other units only via the HVA central or via the Nachrichtenleitstelle for Mecklenburg located in Guestrow-Priemerwald. The HVA had the cover name Foerderband (conveyor belt). Most of the teletype messages by the HVA were signed by VP Generalinspekteur Heinz Hoffmann.
3. The unit numbered about 1,800 police and was organized into a headquarters, 1 motor transport Abteilung of 40 police, 3 infantry Kommandos of 5 Abteilungen each, 1 artillery Kommando, and 7 Sonderabteilungen.
4. The VPD was equipped with 3 T-34 tanks, several Soviet and German guns, 1 armored reconnaissance car, 1 SP gun, several 80-mm mortars and an undetermined number of infantry arms.
5. The officers of VPD 1152 included:

VP Kommandeur Kuhnert, (fnu)	commanding officer
VP Rat Haack, (fnu)	chief of staff
VP Rat Backhaus, (fnu)	assistant chief of staff
VP Rat Steffens, (fnu)	technical officer and chief of the G section
VP Rat Thomas, (fnu)	liaison officer to the SCC
VP Rat Schaefer, (fnu)	SED secretary

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VP Rat Maluschke, (fnu)	signal-communications officer
VP Rat Hitzinger, (fnu)	administrative officer
VP Rat Vogel, (fnu)	assistant administrative officer
VP Oberrat Wagner, (fnu)	director of artillery training
VP Oberrat Knueppel, (fnu)	director of infantry training
VP Oberkommissar Wellnitz, (fnu)	commanding officer of the motor transport Abteilung
VP Oberrat Decker, (fnu)	PK officer
VP Kommissar Meyer, (fnu)	officer in charge of classified material
VP Kommissar Nagel, (fnu)	interrogation officer
VP Oberkommissar Bauer, (fnu)	FDJ secretary
VP Kommissar Dreiczki, (fnu)	head of the VPD orderly room
VP Oberkommissar Stechbart, (fnu)	commanding officer of 1st Kommando
VP Rat Schubert, (fnu)	commanding officer of 3d Kommando
VP Oberkommissar Herm, (fnu)	commanding officer of 4th Kommando
VP Rat Schmidt, (fnu)	commanding officer of 1st Sonderabteilung
VP Oberkommissar Heider, (fnu)	commanding officer of 2d Sonderabteilung
VP Kommissar Dohmann, (fnu)	PK officer of 2d Sonderabteilung

6. The installation contained a fuel dump for all vehicles of the unit. It included also about 16 small brick bunkers for the storage of infantry ammunition and 5 ferro-concrete bunkers, about 5 x 6 meters, for the storage of artillery ammunition. The bunkers were located on the perimeter of the billeting area and guarded by sentries with carbines. Each Kommando and each Sonderabteilung of the unit had its own ordnance room, in addition to a central ordnance room for the entire installation.
7. In late March 1951, officers of the unit said that VPD 1152 was scheduled to be broken up and transferred in the spring of 1951, and that most of its personnel would be transferred to Pasewalk, some to Neubrandenburg and some to an undetermined place on the Baltic Sea. (F-3)*

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Comment. The report confirms numerous previous reports on organization, strength and officers of the VPD in Eggesin. It is the first report to mention an intended transfer of the VPD. The police possibly were to participate in short exercises held by units of the Soviet Second Gds Mezz Army in the areas specified.

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